



RESEARCH ONLINE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes

Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Research Online Management Committee, held on Friday, 23 March 2007, in the Quality Resources Room, Library, at 12pm.

Attendees

Prof. Lee Astheimer	Pro Vice Chancellor (Research)
Assoc. Prof. Brian Martin	Faculty of Arts
Assoc. Prof. Lenore Lyons	Director, CAPSTRANS
Sharon Hughes	Research Services Office
Helen Mandl	University Library
Peter Evans	Research Information Systems Manager
Michael Organ	Project Manager – Research Online (chair)

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of 10 May 2006 adopted.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Item 5 - Mandatory Deposit Policy – refer item 5 below.

3. RESEARCH ONLINE PROJECT UPDATE

The report as distributed (Discussion Paper 2007/1) was discussed. The successful rollout of Research Online during 2006 was noted, and discussion took place in regards to the variability of take-up across faculties. Copyright was in many instances a major impediment, as was the desire by some members of faculty to upload only publisher pdf as against preprints. Committee members suggested a number of methods for promoting RO (refer item 6 below).

4. RESEARCH QUALITY FRAMEWORK 2008

The report as distributed (Discussion Paper 2007/2) was discussed. It was noted that RO would play an important role in providing assessors with access to digital copies of UOW research outputs for the period 2001-2006. Seamless integration between RIS and RO was being developed and would be enhanced during the remainder of 2006 to facilitate the RQF.

ACTION: RO Team to work with the Research Services Office and the RIS Team to facilitate the implementation of the RQF in 2008.

5. OPEN ACCESS POLICY

The policy as circulated was discussed. In light of the heavy faculty workload associated with the implementation of the RQF over the remainder of 2007, it was agreed to defer

consideration of a specific mandatory deposit policy until completion of the process in July 2008. It was hoped that promotion of RO in connection with the roll-out of the RIS and RQF implementation would give rise to an increase in the range and quality of submissions to Research Online. A request for further information on the QUT policy and related incentive was made.

ACTION: Identify incentives utilised by QUT to support its repository deposit policy.

6. PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY

A number of ideas were provided in regards to ongoing promotion of RO amongst the faculties, rather than a broad approach which focussed on individual faculties. These included: *Meeting with Directors of Research Strengths; * Participate in RIS roll-out workshops organised by Research Services Office; *Contact Kim Roser re liaison with higher degree research students; * target individuals associated with Research Strengths; * Participate in PODS research training programs; * Contact Meredith Morgan re 'Building your Track Record' program; * Contact Vicki Wallace RSO re preparation of a RO brochure for use in presentations and mail outs.

ACTION: RO Team to implement promotional and publicity initiatives as outlined.

7. NEXT MEETING

July 2007

Meeting concluded at 12.10 pm.